PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Koichi TERUNUMA, Tetsuya MINO, Katsuya KANAKUBO and Noriyuki ITO

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For: A METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A THIN FILM MAGNETIC HEAD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification; and

Remarks.